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The following are Examiner's Notes concerning the instant application.

Examiner notes that the arguments submitted by the Applicant on 9/7/2000 were persuasive as to overcome the new matter rejection of claims 17-20 set forth in the Office Action mailed 4/5/2000. Arguments made by the Examiner in the new matter rejection regarding lack of written description should not be construed to limit allowed claims 1-14.

Examiner notes that on 4/14/2004 Applicant disavowed specific arguments submitted on 1/30/2001 by their previous attorney. Arguments based on the 1/30/2001 Supplemental Amendment were not considered during the final examination of claims 1-14. Claims 1-14 were allowed in light of their broadest reasonable interpretation.

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